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LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith are 39 sheets of formal drawings to substitute for the originally-filed informal drawings, including corrections to Figs. 1-3 as approved by the Examiner in the Notice of Allowability of March 8, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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